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NO. 12

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS.

The board of county commissioners of Socorro county met in special session April 22, 1901, at 10 a. m. There were present Commissioners John Greenwald, chairman, and A. E. Rouiller; H. G. Baca, clerk and interpreter, by C. A. Baca, deputy. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. On petition M. H. Thompson was appointed justice of the peace and J. S. Brown constable of precinct No. 37. The board then took a recess until 2 p. m.

On the meeting of the board after recess, all present as in the morning, A. W. Nilsson, expert appointed by the board to examine the financial standing of Socorro county, presented his report. The board examined the report in part and adjourned until April 23, 1901, at 9 a. m.

The board met April 23 at 9 a. m. pursuant to adjournment. There were present Commissioners John Greenwald, chairman, M. Contreras and A. E. Rouiller; H. G. Baca, clerk and interpreter. The examination of the expert's report was resumed and the report was approved.

Expert Report.

Trial Balance.	
Building and Improvement Account	59,515.89
Bridge Account	22,791.25
Bond Account	176,000.00
Furniture and Fixture Acct	2,367.76
Interest Fund, 1884	8,828.62
Tax Roll Acct	272,852.49
License Acct	286.25
County Fund	1,664.16
Interest Fund, 1889	8,493.03
Abran Abeyta, Treasurer	26,031.87
Interest Fund, 1897	2,018.49
Road Fund	689.71
General Expense Acct	93,875.16
Warrant Acct	2,550.06
School Fund	3,213.06
Abran Abeyta, Collector	273,138.74
Wild Bounty Fund	.98
Court House Repairing Fund	42.15
Adjustment Account	1,101.67
	\$477,720.65 \$477,720.67

The court fund shows a balance of \$4,824.08, as per expert's memorandum.

The adjustment account of \$1,101.67 was transferred by the board to the credit of the county general fund.

The board of Juan Torres y M. as constable of precinct No. 2 was approved.

Road supervisors were appointed for the various precincts of the county as follows:

Precinct No. 2 Hilario Gonzales.

Precinct No. 3, Elifas Aragon.

Precinct No. 4, Ramon Armijo.

Precinct No. 5 Sylvestre Esquivel.

Precinct No. 7, Ricardo Pino.

Precinct No. 8, Cleofas Barreras.

Precinct No. 9, Rafael Mendoza.

Precinct No. 10, J. W. Buttlar.

Precinct No. 11, James Thorp.

Precinct No. 12, H. W. Russell.

Precinct No. 13, W. W. Jones.

Precinct No. 14, Ramon Gonzales.

Precinct No. 15, Tomas Romero.

Precinct No. 16, Sylvestre Carrillo.

Precinct No. 17, José Chavez y Silva.

Precinct No. 21, Matias Jaramillo.

Precinct No. 22, J. A. Armstrong.

Precinct No. 23, Felix Mora.

Precinct No. 25, Juan José Romero.

Precinct No. 26, Celso Garcia.

Precinct No. 28, Manuel A. Pino.

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Precinct No. 40, José Savedra.
Precinct No. 43, Juan Barreras.
Precinct No. 44, Cruz Naranjo.
Precinct No. 45, John Miller.
The board took a recess until 2 p. m.

Upon the reassembling of the board, all present as before, it was ordered that each person subject to road work should work two days or the public roads for each year or pay two dollars cash in lieu of said work.

The compensation of road supervisors was fixed at six days pay for work and the summoning of persons, as fixed by law, in precincts of 75 workers or less, at ten days pay for precincts of 75 workers or more, including the time of summoning persons for said work. It was required that all supervisors should furnish a complete list of all persons subject to road work in their respective precincts; also, that in case of need of extra work in any precinct the supervisor should notify the board.

The clerk was instructed to order from the official county printing office sufficient blank record books for the use of said supervisors and blank notices to notify the supervisors of their appointment.

The report of Abran Abeyta, treasurer and collector, for the quarter ending March 31, 1901, was presented and approved, as follows:

County General Fund	3,983.00
School Fund	3,598.98
Court Fund	8,080.28
Interest 1884 Fund	4,658.24
Interest 1889 Fund	7,822.60
Interest 1897 Fund	1,383.96
Road Fund	173.72
Repairing Court House Fund	118.96
Wild Bounty Fund	86.27
School Districts	5,159.25
First National Bank New York	703.90
Abran Abeyta	34,831.36
	\$35,535.20 \$35,535.26

Approved.

JOHN GREENWALD, Chairman.

In the presence of the full board and the clerk, coupons and warrants were destroyed by fire as follows: Interest coupons, 1884, \$5,706.00; interest coupons, 1889, \$1,635.00; interest coupons, 1897, \$522.00; county general fund, \$1,689.59; court house repairing fund, \$641.00; wild bounty fund, \$3.67; school fund, \$258.80; interest fund, 1897, \$46.64; same 1884, \$186.59; same, 1889, \$116.63; road fund, \$43.33.

The board then adjourned until the next regular meeting.

Attest: JOHN GREENWALD, Chairman.

H. G. BACA, Clerk.

Notice of Meeting for the Examination of Teachers.

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the board of school examiners of the County of Socorro, New Mexico, for the examination of teachers, at Socorro, New Mexico, on the 30th day of August, 1901.

No person is entitled to teach school in New Mexico unless he can show a certificate of attendance upon a normal institute, and also a teacher's certificate granted under the provisions of the law passed by the thirty-fourth general assembly.

ELFRID BACA,
E. A. DRAKE,
JOSE E. SMITH,
Board of Examiners.

BLACK JACK IS NO MORE.

The Famous Outlaw Pays the Penalty of His Many Crimes. He Dies a Horrible Death.

The press despatches this morning announce the death of Thomas E. Ketchum, alias Black Jack, by hanging at Clayton yesterday. Ever since the death penalty was pronounced upon this famous outlaw there had been rumors of attempts to rescue him from the officers of the law, but every precaution was taken against any such attempt. The execution proceeded quietly in the presence of only a few spectators.

The death of the criminal was a horrible one. He was a heavy man and the drop of seven feet proved to be too much. His head was severed from his body as with a knife. Though the details were horrifying, death was of course instantaneous and the result was therefore a much more merciful one to the victim than many another execution has been when apparently more skillfully accomplished.

The noted criminal kept his nerve to the last. He seemed far less affected by his approaching doom than many who called on him. He wrote a letter to President McKinley confessing the commission of crimes for which three men are now confined in the penitentiary at Santa Fe.

Shortly before the execution a telegram was received by the officers purporting to come from Governor Otero ordering a stay of execution. This proved to be a fake.

Thus ends another career of crime. The fate of Black Jack should teach the criminally inclined that the holding up of trains is not a healthy business in New Mexico.

HANGING AT LAS CRUCES.

Toribio Huerta Answers on the Gallows for the Crime of Murder. Gives the Signal for His Own Execution.

Toribio Huerta was hanged at Las Cruces yesterday morning in the presence of a large crowd of spectators for the crime of murder. On the gallows he made a long speech in which he confessed the crime but deplored his fate as a misfortune. There was no nervousness and his air was that of a bravo. His voice was clear and strong when he said, "I am ready," as a signal for the drop to fall. In fourteen minutes he was pronounced dead.

Card of Thanks.

Kind friends: Allow us to express our appreciation to you for your kindness shown to our dear father during his sickness. And may the great reservoir of God's love flow into your hearts, and that you may drink from the pure water of life that has for thousands of years and will ever quench the burning fires of the other world, and may each of you be kept by the great love of God's power and permitted to ascend that mystic ladder seen by the Patriarch Jacob in his hours of lowliness, and at last go sweeping through the golden streets of the Heavenly Jerusalem on the chariot that was drawn by heavenly steeds to carry the faithful Elijah home to be with his God forever.

Yours in love,

ALICE GAMBLE,
BRAD HUDSON,
STEVE HUDSON,
BELL HUDSON,
ED HUDSON.

Pan-American Exposition.

Buffalo, N. Y., May to November. Tickets on sale May 3, 10, 17, and 24, good to return from Buffalo May 11, 18, and 25, and June 1. Continuous passage each way. Fare, round trip, \$69.15.

THOS. JACQUES,
Santa Fe Ag't.

Reduced Rates to Frisco.

Launching of the battleship Ohio, San Francisco, Cal., May 18, 1901. Tickets on sale May 7 and 8 at \$45.00 for round trip. Final return limit, 30 days from date of sale.

THOS. JACQUES,
Santa Fe Ag't.

OF HOME INTEREST.

Capt. A. B. Fitch was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Prof. C. L. Herrick registered at the Windsor Thursday.

Fresh milk cows for sale, Holstein and Durham. J. W. TERRY.

Doctor Saylor is at home forenoons and at his dental office afternoons.

For school books, stationery, and all school supplies call on A. C. Torres, Court street.

C. H. Brown of Magdalena was in town Monday morning on his way home from El Paso.

A contract has been let for 300 feet of tunneling on the Key mine property in the Magdalena.

Professor Phalen and some of the school of mines students are out on a geological excursion today.

Ice cream and ice cream soda will be served at Katzenstein's all day Sunday. Don't forget the time or place.

Ed. Kealer returned yesterday from Engle where he had been repairing wells and pumps for L. Baldwin & Co.

Will Sanders left Socorro for home Monday almost entirely recovered from his attack of rheumatism.

A snap. A 7 room house and 3 acres of land two blocks from the court house all set in fruit trees. Apply to J. J. Leeson.

The Terry brothers will leave for the Black Range the first of May to do some extensive work on the New Era mine.

Juan P. Garcia, who was in the city in the capacity of jury commissioner, returned to his home in Magdalena yesterday.

County Commissioners A. E. Rouiller and Matias Contreras arrived in the city Monday to attend a special meeting of the board.

Several Philadelphia capitalists will examine mining property in the Black Range the last of next week with a view to investing.

A. Schey, Frank C. Selman, and C. M. Helm of San Marcial were guests at the Windsor Thursday and called on friends in the city.

Jim Berry arrived at home yesterday morning from a visit of several weeks with his sister, Mrs. Cipriano Baca, and family of Silver City.

Capt. M. Cooney left Monday for his sheep ranch, where he will remain some time to look after matters pertaining to lambing and shearing.

The dance given by the Rathbone Sisters in the K. P. hall last night was a decided success. There was a large attendance and a general good time.

A. H. Hilton of San Antonio was in the city the first of the week on important business connected with his coal mining properties at Carthage.

P. H. McAnugan, a prosperous stockman from the Black Range district, had business in Socorro yesterday. He reported cattle in good condition in his vicinity.

Miss Ruby Berry has accepted the position of typewriter in the office of attorney Jas. G. Fitch and will enter upon her duties in that capacity Monday morning.

Tom Seales is working a force of men in the dictator mine in the Cuchillo mountains about five miles from Fairview. He has a good body of shipping ore.

Hon. H. O. Bursum passed through the city this morning bound for his ranch east of San Antonio to attend to affairs relating to lambing and shearing.

J. J. Leeson has removed his fine cabinet of mineral specimens into the back end of his store room and is preparing it for shipment to the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo.

A "Butterfly" social will be given by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church at the home of Prof. and Mrs. Jones Friday evening, May 3rd. Butterflies 10 cts. Everybody invited.

After this date Price Bros. & Co. will do no banking business after 4 o'clock p. m. Patrons are respectfully requested to take due notice, as no exceptions will be made.

Hon. F. A. Hubbell came down from Albuquerque this morning and went west to his sheep ranges in the Mogollon mountains. He was accompanied by H. C. Williams of Boston.

Reports indicate that the fruit crop in this vicinity will be about as follows: Cherries, 20 per cent; peaches and apricots, almost none; apples, plums, pears, and grapes, 90 per cent.

Lot 20 P. Garcia was handling his pistol rather carelessly Wednesday when the weapon discharged, the ball passing through his leg above the knee. No serious results are anticipated.

Will Swisher arrived in this city Tuesday morning from the Philippine islands where he rendered Uncle Samuel two years military service as a member of the 34th volunteer infantry.

S. N. Nubia will give an especially fine Sunday dinner tomorrow at his restaurant on the south side of the plaza. Ice cream and other delicacies of the season will be served. Price, 35 cents.

H. A. Kingsbury, one of the owners of the Keystone mine in the Black Range, was a visitor in the city yesterday. Mr. Kingsbury reported mining matters in a satisfactory condition in the Black Range.

County Assessor Benj. Sanchez is a very busy man these days on account of the press of official business. He has made several trips out of town this week, among them one each to Luis Lopez and San Marcial.

Watermaster S. C. Abeyta, assisted by R. W. Monroe, has been improving the condition of the water system this week. The results will manifest themselves in clearer water than has been supplied for some time past.

Major W. F. Hogan of Denver, who recently consummated the sale of the Colonial mining property in the Mogollons to an eastern syndicate, was in the city Tuesday. Major Hogan was well known in southern New Mexico twenty years ago.

E. A. Clemens of the A. L. horse ranch near Magdalena was a sojourner in the city Monday and Tuesday. Mr. Clemens is very active in promoting the interests of the recently organized cattle and horse protective association, of which he was elected secretary.

W. H. Liles, who owns an orchard near town, says that he never before saw fruit trees grow as rapidly as they have grown in this vicinity during the last week. Mr. Liles says that some of his trees have grown twigs six inches long in as many days.

J. W. Medley, wife, and daughter of Datil were in town Monday on their way to Valentine, Texas, where they will spend ten days or two weeks visiting relatives and friends. This is Mrs. Medley's first visit with "the folks at home" in 13 years.

Circuit court for Chavez county finished its labors at Roswell yesterday and adjourned to meet at Lincoln Monday. Mrs. John E. Griffith reports that the court will take a recess the last of next week to give the court officials an opportunity to go to El Paso to pay their respects to President McKinley.

Hon. Elfrido Baca left Wednesday morning for Lincoln where he is shortly to appear for the defense in the case of New Mexico vs. Severo Gallegos, charged with the murder of Francisco Romero. This is an important case and Mr. Baca will have the good wishes of many Socorro friends in his efforts.

The public schools closed yesterday morning with appropriate and interesting exercises by the pupils in presence of the school board and other visiting patrons and friends. Socorro's public schools have been more successful during the year just closed than for several years past, and under the liberal provisions of the new school law it will be possible to make still more marked improvement next year.

A PURE GRAPE CREAM OF TARTAR POWDER.

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

Highest Honors, World's Fair
Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair
Avoid Baking Powders containing alum. They are injurious to health.

Probate Clerk Hermene G. Baca has been in Frisco for the last two weeks. On his return home this morning he was accompanied by his mother-in-law and an aunt. Mr. Baca reported Frisco in a flourishing condition, and good prospects for crops in that vicinity.

W. H. Seamon of El Paso, one of the most prominent Masons in the southwest, spent yesterday in the city and met many old friends. Mr. Seamon, formerly president of the Socorro school of mines, is now conducting a chemist's and assayer's office in the Pass city. He has recently put up a new building which is one of the finest of its kind in the city.—Journal-Democrat.

W. M. Driscoll writes the editor there is no foundation for the report that he is in poor health and adds: "If you will have your informant make an engagement with his physician, and then send him to me I will convince him in three rounds that my condition of health is very fair indeed." The editor hastens to accept Mr. Driscoll's apology (!) and to assure him that all is forgiven and forgotten. Seriously, Mr. Driscoll has a host of warm friends in Socorro who will feel deep gratification over his continued good health.

SCHOOL OF MINES DIRECTORS MEET.

Treasurer's Accounts Found Correct.
Faculty Elected for Next Year.
The School in a Gratifying Condition.

The regular annual meeting of the board of directors of the New Mexico school of mines was held in this city Thursday. There were present President Juan José Baca, Secretary and Treasurer C. T. Brown, and Messrs. F. G. Bartlett and Jos. E. Smith. Hon. W. S. Hopewell was unavoidably absent.

Considerable routine business was transacted, one item of which was the usual examination of the treasurer's books. These were found to balance with his bank statements.

The following faculty was elected for the ensuing year: F. A. Jones, director and professor of civil and mining engineering; Francis C. Lincoln, professor of chemistry and geology; E. A. Drake, principal of the preparatory department; Julia F. Atkinson, instructor in the preparatory department; and Oliver R. Smith, assistant in engineering. Provision was also made for another instructor in the preparatory department and adjournment was taken subject to call at an early date for the purpose of filling the vacancy. The only change in the membership of the faculty was in the election of Professor Lincoln to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Professor W. C. Phalen.

The school of mines was shown to be in a far better condition and its prospects far brighter than ever before. The revenue of the institution was increased one-fourth by the last legislative assembly. Also, the sum of \$13,500 will soon become available from the sale and lease of public lands donated by congress, which sum may be used for permanent improvements only.

Among the improvements contemplated are two new buildings for the use of the technical department. Work will be begun at the school of mines next year under conditions far superior to any that have ever existed before in the history of the institution.

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